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Blood Stream Infection (CDC)
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Dear Sir:

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to contribute to the development of the 'Guidelines for the Prevention of Intravascular Catheter-Related Infections'. I have one recommendation for your consideration.

The draft guidelines highlight education and compliance. It would be beneficial for the guidelines to also emphasize the key role a true multidisciplinary team and emphasis on the quality improvement process play in reducing these infections. By highlighting these strategies, the Institute of Healthcare Improvement (IHI) provides numerous examples of institutions reducing intravascular catheter-related infections.

Sincerely:

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